

ABSTRACT

WA-II-249

19th Century

Wolf-Browning Farm (tenant house)

Tilghmanton-Boonsboro Vicinity

private

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-II-249
District 12
Map 67
Parcel 174

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Wolf-Browning Farm (tenant house)

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Manor Church Road, West of Poffenberger Road

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

☒ VICINITY OF Tilghmanton-Boonsboro

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Jean P. Browning & Warwick Evans Browning

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

5409 Moorland Lane

CITY, TOWN

Bethesda

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20014

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED < 50%

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is located on the south side of Manor Church Road southeast of the Manor Church and west of Poffenberger Road in Washington County, Maryland. It is situated on ground that slopes gently downward from the road and faces east. The structure is a tenant house on a 188 acre farm with main buildings located several hundred feet to the south.

The dwelling is a two story, four bay structure presumably built of logs and sheathed with German siding. The walls rest on rough limestone foundations which are almost one story in height at the rear elevation.

Late 19th century trim has been applied to the windows. Those at the first story and at the second story of the gable walls have nine over six pane double hung sashes while other second story windows have six over six light sashes.

Entrances are located in the first and third bays of the front elevation. Both are plain and have modern doors. A one story shed roofed porch extends along the entire front elevation.

The roof is sheathed with sheet metal and terminates with barge boards set directly against the end walls. A brick chimney extends from the interior of the house between the first and second bays from the south end. The placement of the chimney and a slight break in the roof line at that location suggest that the house may have been built in two parts.

The structure appears to be in good condition.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

WA-II-249

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
REHISTORIC	— ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	— COMMUNITY PLANNING	— LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
— 1400-1499	— ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	— CONSERVATION	— LAW	— SCIENCE	
— 1500-1599	— AGRICULTURE	— ECONOMICS	— LITERATURE	— SCULPTURE	
— 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	— EDUCATION	— MILITARY	— SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
— 1700-1799	— ART	— ENGINEERING	— MUSIC	— THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	— COMMERCE	— EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	— PHILOSOPHY	— TRANSPORTATION	
— 1900-	— COMMUNICATIONS	— INDUSTRY	— POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	— OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		— INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 188.0 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

October 1976

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

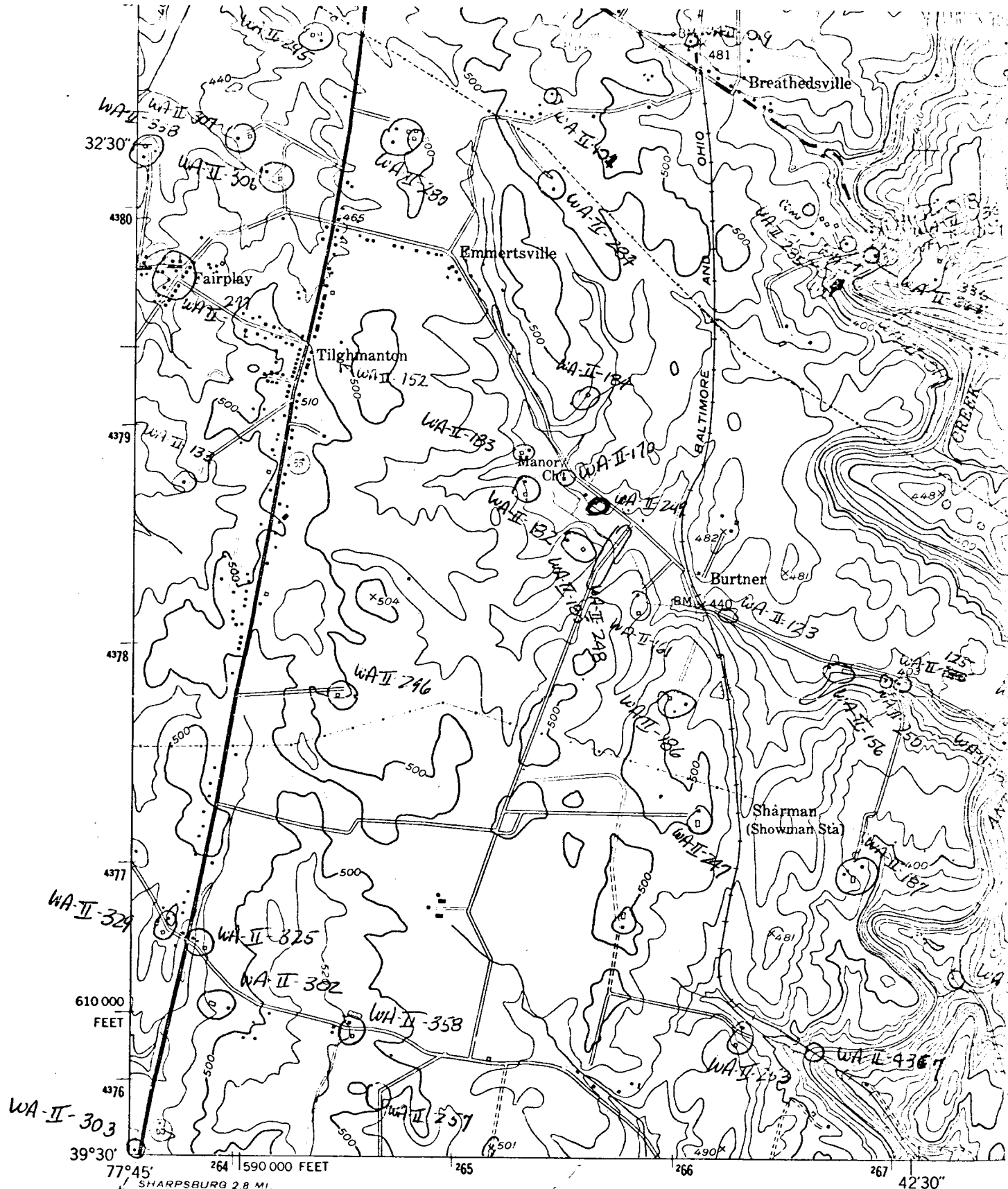
STATE

Maryland 21740

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(SHEPHERDSTOWN)
5462 IV NE

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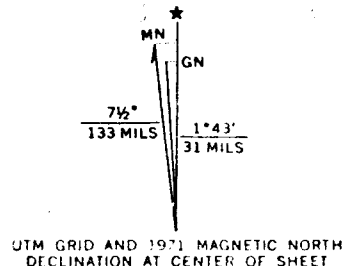
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methods. Aerial photographs taken 1943

Culture revised by the Geological Survey 1953

Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grids based on Maryland coordinate system
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks;
zone 18, shown in blue

Points shown in purple compiled by the Geological Survey from
aerial photographs taken 1971. This information not field checked



UTM GRID AND 1971 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

